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RESPONSE

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Sir:

The Office Action of June 30, 2003 requires election between method claims 1-25 and apparatus claims 26-47. In response to that requirement, Applicant elects method claims 1-25.

Examination on the merits is respectfully requested.

To the extent necessary, Applicants petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR §1.136. Please charge any shortage in the fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (Case No. 0173.40791X00) and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,


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